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TOWN OF TREMPEALEAU
TREMPEALEAU COUNTY
WISCONSIN

**MINUTES OF THE 06/26/2007
BOARD OF REVIEW**

Chairman George Walski called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

All Board of Review members, including the Assessor, were present.

George Walski called for nominations for chairperson. Gerald Stellpflug nominated David Prondzinski. George Walski seconded. With 3 yes votes, David Prondzinski was elected chairperson.

David Prondzinski called for nominations for vice-chairperson. Gerald Stellpflug nominated George Walski. David Prondzinski seconded. With 3 yes votes, George Walski was elected vice-chairperson.

All members of the Board of Review were certified in March of 2006 and the clerk was trained in February of 2006.

The Clerk swore in Jerome Prochnow, assessor and Richard T. Herold, property owner.

David Prondzinski informed Mr. Herold that the burden of proof to change his assessment is on him.

Richard T. Herold of N12354 Hunter Lane, Trempealeau, objects to his assessment on parcel #028-01271-0000. It is zoned residential and assessed at Land - \$15000 and Improvements - \$139,800 for a total of \$154,800. Mr. Herold was upset his assessment went up. He thought it was set last year and would remain the same. The assessor explained the Town was not in compliance and all parcels and improvements went up an average of 12%. Mr. Herold's went up about 9%. After much discussion, Gerald Stellpflug moved to leave the assessment the same; George Walski seconded. A roll call vote was taken: Walski – yes, Stellpflug – yes, Prondzinski – yes. With 3 yes votes and 0 no votes the assessment will remain the same.

Mark Klein of N15373 West Prairie Road, Trempealeau objects to his assessment on parcel #028-1625-0000. The clerk swore him in. He was comparing his assessment to the Leonard & Julie Speck house just down the road from him. He is paying more taxes for the same type of house. The assessor stated Mr. Klein's house had a finished walkout basement and a 3 season room where the Speck house did not. Mr. Klein stated his basement was not finished. The assessor stated an unfinished basement would be a deduction of \$2500. After more discussion, Gerald Stellpflug moved to reduce the improvement value on Mr. Klein's house by \$2500; George Walski seconded. A roll call vote was taken: Walski – yes, Stellpflug – yes, Prondzinski – yes. With 3 yes votes and 0 no votes, the assessment on improvements will be reduced by \$2500.

Richard Phillips of N15324 Delaney Road, Trempealeau objects to his assessment on parcel #028-00797-0015. The clerk swore him in. He just thinks his assessment is too high. He lives on a fixed income. He bought it in 2003 for \$237,000 and it is now assessed at \$267,100. The assessor stated that lots in that area are selling for between \$40,000 – \$80,000. Gerald Stellpflug and George Walski both felt the assessment was fair with current market values. Gerald Stellpflug moved to leave the assessment the

same; George Walski seconded. A roll call vote was taken: Walski – yes, Stellpflug – yes, Prondzinski – yes. The assessment will remain the same.

There being no other property owners to come before the Board of Review, Gerald Stellpflug moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.; George Walski seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris A. Dahl